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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting on "The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Land Acquisitions Policies Act of 1970"

1. As requested, I attended subject meeting on 12 January 1971 at which most departments and agencies were represented.
2. Mr. Arnold R. Weber, Associate Director of Office of Management and Budget, opened the meeting followed by remarks from Mr. Dwight A. Ink and Mr. Joseph D. Cohn of Office of Management and Budget.
3. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the development of government-wide guidelines to implement the recently enacted legislation concerning revised policies for the acquisition of land for federal government use and the benefits available to persons displaced by such acquisition.
4. A task force has been organized chaired by Office of Management and Budget with representatives from the Departments of Justice, Transportation, Defense and Housing and Urban Development and the General Services Administration.
5. Interim guidelines are scheduled to be developed within two to six weeks since the previous authorities for financial and other assistance were superseded by the new legislation and need to be implemented promptly to avoid personal hardships.
6. A significant change in policy is the assurance that adequate and comparable replacement housing is actually available for persons prior to their displacement from their present housing.
7. Agency involvement in this act would appear to be minimal and apply only if any future construction or other programs require acquisition of privately owned land and displace owners and tenants from their homes, businesses or farms. When the guidelines are developed we should be able to apply them if needed without any apparent difficulty.

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8. As requested by the meeting chairman, I gave my name and phone number as a point of contact if needed which I consider unlikely.


9. Copies of White House Press release and related issuances are attached.

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